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Serial Nos. 74 and 194

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SUBJECT.

Powers of the Chairmen of the Committees established in connection with the Conference in regard to expenditure under pay and allowances of establishments and contingenci

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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NOTES.

G. Dn File No. 360/11

FILE HEADING.

The Mysore Economic Conference.

From

The Comptroller to Govt.

No. 3738/657 Dated 26.12.11 Received 4.1.12

Diary No. 2675	Enclos. -	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 74

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Requests the issue of clear orders about the powers of the Chairmen of the Committees in regard to expenditure on pay and allowances of establishments and contingencies, for the guidance of the Chairmen and for regulating audit.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

G. Dn 2780/6 & 6 which is referred to at the beginning of para 2 of the Comptroller's reference is stated to be with the Diwan, having been sent from the Rev. Branch on 6.11.11

may be obtained from Diwan's office - on return 10/1/12

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10.1.12

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GPB—30,000—12-8-11

Abstract of tapal dated the 4th January 1912 and Dewan's Orders thereon:—

(3) Comptroller

Reports that the Chairmen of the three ~~Committees~~ Committees of the Economic Conference seem to be under the impression that they have the power to sanction the creation of posts and to appoint persons to such posts apparently subject to no restrictions, ~~and~~ remarks that this is based on no authority and requests that the position may be made clear to the Chairmen of the powers of the Chairman to sanction contingent expenditure on their own responsibility may be defined; also brings to notice that the Chairman of the Industrial Committee has actually purchased on his responsibility a Typist at a cost of Rs 358/- although such a purchase usually requires the previous sanction of Govt

Dewan's Order

(4) Where is the monthly return of expenditure prescribed vide G.O. 2. (Initd) T.A.R 8/1/12

(5) I have an impression that this was sanctioned. (Initd) T.A.R 8/1/12

(6) Subd to the Undersecy for information & orders (Vide page 41)

DM(Ctr) 16-1-12

VS

Please answer both queries if the information is available. Thy 18/1/12

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(8) The monthly returns of expenditure are being recd from the Committees They have been subd, some to the Secy the others are "Kept" in the branch, marked for the Secretary.

(9) So far as the Branch is aware, no order has issued sanctioning the purch of a typewriter by the Industrial Committee other Committees, though provisi has been made therefor in the budget Dr (Ors) for this year.
19.1.12

(10) Secy. Keep and submit with note on Comptr's reply.

The files containing the previous correspondences have since been resubmitted with minutes on 29. 1. 12
19.2.12
3. 2. 12

(11) ✗ G.7278 of 10 Cl 6 referred to above is subd. The Comptroller points out that, while para 5 of Govt Order No G 843-7/G. Dn 36-11-1909 7 & 8 prescribes, as promised in G.O. No G 221-4/G. Dn 278-10-6 of 10.7.11, the manner of drawing money and accounting for it the order does not define the powers of the Chairmen to incur such expenditure on their own responsibility

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requests orders on the following points.

(a) The scale of Establt to be allowed to each of the Committees,

(b) The powers of the Chairmen in regard to the appointt of persons to posts thus created (a), +

(c) the powers of the Chairmen in regard to Contingent Expenditure (para 3 of the Comptroller's letter)

DO(104) 21.2.12 VS. 41

(13) Regarding (a).

The scale of establishment, of the three committees, as it now stands is given shewn in the letters from the Secretaries of the respective committees in the linked file. This may be fixed as the scale to be allowed to each of the offices

† It will however be that the scale is in two cases in excess of the provision made in the G.O. of 7.8.11. (vide note in linked file.)

(b). The chairmen may be empowered to appoint men to these posts, subject to the approval of Govt, if this is considered necessary

(c). The powers of the Chairmen (as regards expenditure on contingencies,) may be declared to be the same as those of the Heads of Depts, as contd in the G.O. of 1906 and the Account Code.

‡ The limit of expenditure, may however be raised, as in the case of certain Heads of Depts - such as the Supdt Govt Press, the Supdt Lal Bagh in whose cases the limit is fixed at Rs 50 and 250, respectively.

‡ The power of

for Secretary
12-3-12

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(14) I think the idea was that the Chairman of the committee should have a free hand in regard to establishment, contingencies &c. The only check meant to be applied was the budget check.

(15) Since the appointments made by the Chairman will all be temporary there is no need to restrict every appointment to be created under the order I suggest.

(16) Similarly in regard to contingencies. I can see nothing very revolutionary in the Chairman sanctioning the purchase of a typewriter.

(17) Please put up a draft order on these giving them a wide discretion - Reappointments between main heads may come afterwards.

GB
25/3/12

Branch II will have to be consulted

DR

(18) Subd with a draft order

SSA (Con) 29.3.12 US.4/

(19) To Br II for remarks

29.3.12

G.T.
29/3

Chair 897

Submitted (20)

N.36 Hon. G. In para 5 of Govt order 843-P the 4th August '11 after receiving the proceedings

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in which Expenditure on Salaries, Contingencies etc have to be accounted for, the first Lay down that "In regard to all other charges, the Chairman will have full discretion to incur Expenditure upto the limit of the grant provided in their respective budgets". This direction would mean that the Chairmen specifically mentioned are outside the scope of this delegation and as such Local Audit in the Establishment branch added to the number of Chairmen cannot be sanctioned if the Chairmen even though there are funds available. Even in the Scheme in file 36 of 11 the question of Local Audit has not been proposed to be left to the discretion of the Chairmen on the other hand there is evidence to show that for this limit to immediate the sanction under Local Audit. It is also desirable that questions relating to Establishments should be centralised. Please see the papers from the Chairmen can file as the Secretariat other standing orders on the subject. As for charges under Contingencies the Chairmen may be given full discretion to incur Expenditure upto the budget limit ~~subject to standing~~ orders & decs)

4.4.12

(21) I think it may be definitely ruled

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that in all matters the Presidents will exercise the powers usually exercised by the head of a Dept^t. [The should be ~~Secretary~~ in the order for clearness]. The heads of Depts manage more pressing & urgent matters with such restrictions and there is no reason to suppose ~~that~~ the Committees cannot get along with them. If there is any truth underlying the idea that even the work of such bodies as the Committees of the Economic Conference cannot be managed if first sanction to some items of expenditure has to be obtained on account of the delay involved in such a procedure, then the remedy lies in trying to avoid such delay and not in giving unrestricted powers to the Committees.

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(22) Subd
SR(Ord) VS. 41
9-4-12

9/4/12 SA

Sec^y. Secretariat

CSB

Mr Dixon Mr Meek 9/4/12

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is that the Secy "hopes it is sufficiently clear - It was hoped it was made clear - But as much stress is laid on the memo of 15 Sept 1911 I am obliged to call for it & the file leading up to it - [It is not now forthcoming - Why?]

CE Ayrton

The file leading up to the memo of 15 Sept 1911 was put up, but with this & subsequent papers. But it was received & detached with Dewan's letter on 16.12.12, that is again linked hereto.

(WG) 15.4.1
236/12

V
Ayrton
CBB 23/4/12

(24) Please see draft put up in linked file in which the Chairmen of the Committees have been empowered to incur, with the approval of the President of the Conference all kinds of expenditure on pay & allces of establishments of their offices

Secy)

BB 24.4.12

917/25/4/12

(25) Dewan

Please see all CBB 24/4/12

Agam Muchado about "Nothing" - The "draft portion in linked file" is passed - Please give suitable approval/comments

Ayrton 3 May 12

CBB BB

(for 918)

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Dr 861 (X W) (26) Orders are required on the general question raised in the Comptroller's letter (fl 74)

DR(Ork) 15.5.12

(27) Await return of linked file from Councillors

file seen by Crs & sd. [illegible]

bz 24/5/12

A reminder since received from the Comptroller is also put up.

DR(Ork)

(28) Resubmitted for orders on the general question raised in the Comptroller's letter.

Secretary)

bz 13.5.12

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(29) The Comptrollers reference is dated December 1911, since which date circumstances have altered and matters have considerably developed. Therefore if any orders are still required the Comptroller may be officially requested to renew his letter and revise the question in a more up to date form.

(30) Draft submd
DR(Org) VS. 41
17.9.12
Secy) 19.9.12

(31) approved

194. To the Comptroller, Do., No. G. 18238/23.9. With reference to No. 74, States that as circumstances have altered & matters have considerably develop

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	since the date of his original communication on the subject, he may renew his letter and raise the question in a note up to date form if any orders are still required in the matter.

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FROM

J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M.A.,
F.R.A.S., etc.,
Comptroller to the Govt. of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

.....ESQ.,

Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
Genl & Rev .....*Dept.*

Dated

Despatched 26-12-11

Received 3738/657

No. .....

Subject matter.

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advices.
regarding the formation of the 3 Committees of the Economic Conference in regard to expenditure on pay & allowances of the Subordinate.

It is requested that in future communications on the subject, the No. and date of this letter, and the distinguishing letters below the number as given opposite, may be quoted and addressed to the Comptroller, Mysore Government.

No 3738 / Ja L 657

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, MYSORE GOVERNMENT,

Dated Bangalore, the 28-12- 1911.

FROM

J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M.A., F.R.A.S., etc.,
Comptroller to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

DIARY No. 2675

1911-1912
SECTION G-M
FILE No. 36 of 11
SERIAL No. 74

To

.....Esq.,

The *Secretary to the Government of Mysore,*

General and Revenue *Department.*s.

SIR,

I have the honor to address you regarding the powers of the Chairmen of the three Committees of the Economic Conference in regard to expenditure on pay and allowances of establishments and contingencies.

2. In para 3 of their Proceedings dated 10th July 1911, the Government promised orders regarding the manner in which money can be drawn and spent from the grants sanctioned for the Conference and the only communications so far received on the subject are Memo dated 15th August 1911 and Government Proceedings dated 7th August 1911. With the former, a copy of your letter to the Secretary, Education Committee of the Economic Conference, was communicated to this office and the letter itself directed that a statement of Establishment actually entertained under the orders of the Chairman with details of pay &c be furnished to the Comptroller for audit purposes. The audit of establishment charges, apart from sanction to funds for meeting them, is conducted with reference to two sanctions; the first sanction is to the creation by competent authority of posts on specified rates of pay and the second to the appointment by the authorities to whom the power is delegated of particular

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persons to the created posts. The direction contained in your letter dated 15th August 1911 has reference only to the second sanction as it is the entertainment of persons to appointments that is contemplated therein: but the order is not quite explicit as to the exact power delegated to the Chairmen, since there is no allusion to the essential point of pay of posts which can be filled up by them on their own authority. As regards the first sanction, the direction is silent apparently because the sanction of Government must be obtained to the creation of any appointment, whether permanent or temporary, under articles 53 and 56, Mysore Service Regulations. There is no exception whatever to the rule contained in the two articles and your letter dated 15th August 1911 does not delegate to the Chairman the power of creating appointments reserved to Government. The Chairmen of the Committees, however, seem to be under the impression that they have the power to sanction the creation of posts and to appoint persons to such posts, apparently subject to no restrictions. This view of the matter is, however, not based on any authority and I request therefore that the position may be made clear for the guidance of the Chairmen.

3. As regards expenditure on Contingencies, para 5 of Government Proceedings dated 7th August 1911 prescribes the procedure to be followed in drawing and accounting for it and does not define the Chairmen's power of sanctioning such expenditure on their own responsibility. The last but one sentence of the para under reference gives to the Chairmen full discretion to incur expenditure up to the limit of grant provided in their respective budgets only in regard to what are therein characterised as "all other charges". Now, reading the details of heads given in para 1 and the order in which instructions are given in para 5 for the drawing and accounting for of the several kinds of expenditure falling under the heads, "the other charges" apparently mean those coming under the heads IV Supplies and Services and V Miscellaneous The Chairmen however appear to imagine that the discretionary power allowed in respect of the "other charges" applies also to Contingencies and the Chairman of the Industrial Committee has actually

purchased

purchased on his own responsibility a typewriter at a cost of Rs.353/- The purchase of a typewriter is an item of contingent expenditure requiring the sanction of Government and orders contained in Government Proceedings dated 7th August 1911 do not delegate to the Chairmen any power of Contingent expenditure reserved to Government. Orders in respect of the powers of heads of offices and departments regarding expenditure on ordinary items of contingencies are contained in Government Order No. Fl.2647-92/Gl.Fin.112-06-1 dated 9th October 1906 and Chapter VI of Civil Account Code. I request that the powers which may be exercised in this respect by the Chairmen of the three Committees may be clearly defined for their guidance and for regulating audi

I have the honor to be,

Sir;

Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary on special duty
in the Comptroller's Office,
Now Comptroller, absent from the station.

Copy for the file

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of

Mysore.

Read:-

Letter No. 584 dated the 11th March 1913 from the Secretary to the Industries and Commerce Committee of the Economic Conference stating that, as it was found necessary to employ an additional hand on account of increase of work in his office, an extra clerk on Rs. 50 per mensem was entertained on the 20th February 1913 with the approval of the Chairman of the Committee and the President of the Conference and requesting sanction to the same, the cost being met from the savings effected under "Clerical and Menial Establishment" in the current year budget.

2. Letter No. 693 dated the 2nd April 1913 from the same off forwarding in continuation Comptroller's memo No. 80/ T.A.M. dated the 30th March 1913 returning unaudited the pay bills of the clerk in question for the months of February and March 191 and requesting early orders in the matter.

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Order thereon No. G.6272-4/S.M.36-11-28

Dated Bangalore 23rd May 1913.

The entertainment of the extra hand above referred to is sanctioned. The Comptroller is requested to be kind enough to admit claim to salary from date of entertainment.

S. Ramaswamy

For Offg: Secretary to Government.

To

The Provisional Secretary, Economic Conference. ~~& Secretary Agricultural Conference.~~

The Secretary, Industries and Commerce Committee.

The Comptroller, Mysore Government.

A.V.

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F. M. File No. 361
Serial No. 194.

Diary No. of letter replied to

D.O. No. G. 1823.

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To

J. S. Chakravarti Esq
Comptroller, Imp. Store Govt

Date of issue 23-9-12

Signed by Mr. K. R. Srinivasacharyar

Dear Sir

With reference to your official letter No. 3738 / I.A.M. 65 dated the 26th Dec. 1911 requesting orders as to the powers which may be exercised by the Chairmen of the Committees to the Economic Conference and your reminder letter of the 16th Aug last, I am desired to state that since the dates of your original letter on the subject circumstances

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have altered and matters have considerably developed since the date of your original communication on the subject, You may renew your letter and raise the question in a more up to date form, if any orders are still required in the matter

Yours sincerely

Offg Secty. to Govt

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